

Welcome to Perry County Highlights 2005 Edition

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SUMMARY OF PERRY COUNTY HIGHLIGHTS

The county's population estimate for 2004 was 18,999, up .5 percent from the 2000 Census total. During this same time period, Indiana's total 2004 estimated population of 6,237,569 was up by 2.6 percent.

According to the 2000 Census, 9,519 people twenty-five years of age or over were high school graduates and/or had post-high school education. This amount represented 74.8 percent of the twenty-five and up county population. Of that population, 1,222 or 9.6 percent were four year college graduates or higher. In 2003, of the 178 persons graduating high school that year, 144 or 80.9 percent intended to go on to higher education.

A total of 1,230 workers or 12 percent of the workforce commuted into Perry County in 2003. Spencer County sent the most workers into the county. Conversely, 3,267 or 26.5 percent of the labor force commuted to work outside of the county. Dubois County received the most workers from Perry County.

The estimated average unemployment rate for 2004 was 5.3 percent, above Indiana's annual average of 5.2 percent. The county's unemployment rate was based on an estimated average residential labor force of 9,705. Of that labor force, 9,185 were employed and 520 were unemployed.

For the year 2004, there were 6,305 jobs at industries within the county. The largest employing industry in the county was manufacturing with 28.8 percent of the total industry employment. Federal, state, local government (includes public education and health services) was second at 24.5 percent.

The industry showing the most growth in jobs over the three year period (since 2001) was manufacturing, increasing 204 jobs or 12.7 percent above 2001. 13.9 percent of employers in the county employed 20 or more workers and those represented 76.4 percent of all employment.

The all industry average 2004 earnings for the county was \$30,763 per year versus Indiana's \$34,693. The county average wage was an increase of 13.4 percent over the 2001 county industry average wage. One of Perry County's 11 North American Industry Classification System super-sectors had annual average earnings greater than the Indiana average for those industries. The county's manufacturing industry had the highest average earnings at \$45,983 per year, with construction second at \$34,978, while the industry with the lowest annual earnings number was leisure and hospitality services at \$9,204. The same industries statewide paid an average \$47,638, \$39,343, and \$13,875 per year, respectively.

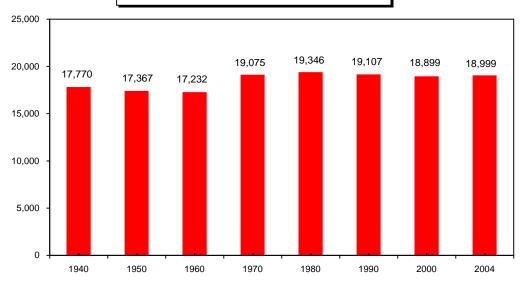
PERRY COUNTY AND CITY POPULATION

COUNTY & Cities/Towns	1990 CENSUS	2000 CENSUS	2004 POPULATION ESTIMATES	NUMERICAL CHANGE FROM 2000-2004	PERCENT CHANGE FROM 2000-2004
PERRY CO	19,107	18,899	18,999	100	0.5%
CANNELTON	1,786	1,209	1,171	-38	-3.1%
TELL CITY	8,088	7,845	7,698	-147	-1.9%
TROY	465	392	394	2	0.5%

PERRY COUNTY POPULATION

		NUMERICAL	%
YEAR	POPULATION	CHANGE	CHANGE
1940	17,770	1,145	6.9%
1950	17,367	-403	-2.3%
1960	17,232	-135	-0.8%
1970	19,075	1,843	10.7%
1980	19,346	271	1.4%
1990	19,107	-239	-1.2%
2000	18,899	-208	-1.1%
2004	18,999	100	0.5%

PERRY COUNTY POPULATION



Source: Stats Indiana, U.S. Census Bureau 1940-2000 Census and 2004 Population Estimate

EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION

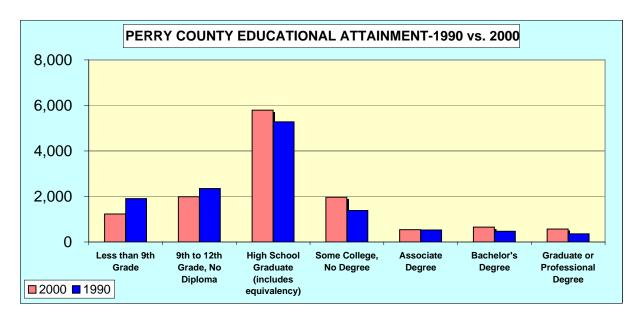
PERRY COUNTY

2003 HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES HIGHER EDUCATION INTENT

EDUCATION INTENT	NUMBER	PERCENT
Graduates	178	100.0%
Total to Higher Education	144	80.9%
Four-Year Institution	85	47.8%
Two-Year Institution	47	26.4%
Vocation/Tech. Institution	12	6.7%

EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT - POPULATION 25 YEARS & OVER

EDUCATION LEVEL	1990	% IN 1990	2000	% IN 2000
Less than 9th Grade	1,906	15.5%	1,228	9.6%
9th to 12th Grade, No Diploma	2,345	19.1%	1,987	15.6%
High School Graduate (includes equivalency)	5,280	43.0%	5,790	45.5%
Some College, No Degree	1,385	11.3%	1,969	15.5%
Associate Degree	525	4.3%	538	4.2%
Bachelor's Degree	473	3.9%	656	5.2%
Graduate or Professional Degree	357	2.9%	566	4.4%
TOTAL - POPULATION 25 YEARS & OVER	12,271	100%	12,734	100%



Sources: Indiana Business Research Center, Stats Indiana and U.S. Census Bureau.

PERRY COUNTY COMMUTING PATTERNS

Number of persons who live in Perry County and work (labor force)	12,329
Number of persons who live in Perry County and work in Perry County	9,062
Number of persons who live out of and work in Perry County	1,230
Total number of persons who work in Perry County (work force)	10,292

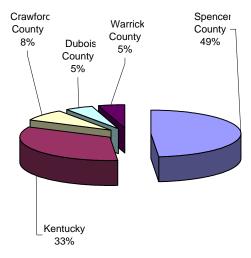
Top five counties sending workers INTO Perry County:

Spencer County	537	
Kentucky	369	
Crawford County	90	
Dubois County	55	
Warrick County	52	
Total of above	1,103	equals 10.7% of work force

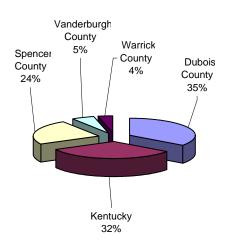
Top five counties receiving workers FROM Perry County:

Dubois County	981	
Kentucky	895	
Spencer County	661	
Vanderburgh County	152	
Warrick County	104	
Total of above	2,793	equals 22.7% of labor force

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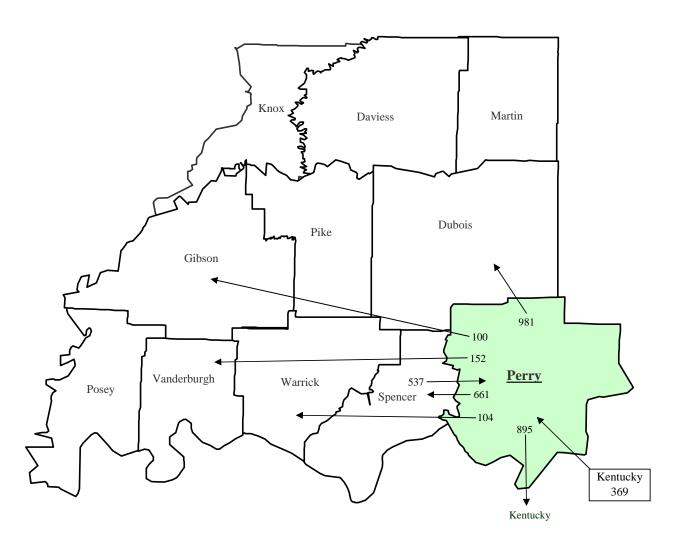


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Data Source: Indiana Dept. of Revenue--Based on IT-40 Returns for Tax Year 2003 Report produced by STATS Indiana on Jan. 26, 2005

Perry County



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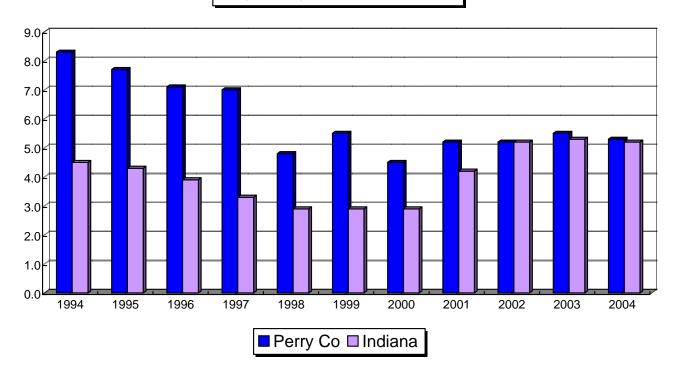
ABOR FORCE INFORMATION

PERRY COUNTY LABOR FORCE

(1994 - 2004)

	LABOR			Perry Co	Indiana
YEAR	FORCE	EMPLOYED	UNEMPLOYED	RATE	RATE
1994	9,570	8,775	795	8.3	4.5
1995	9,280	8,565	715	7.7	4.3
1996	9,170	8,515	655	7.1	3.9
1997	9,260	8,615	645	7.0	3.3
1998	8,955	8,525	430	4.8	2.9
1999	9,165	8,660	505	5.5	2.9
2000	9,530	9,105	425	4.5	2.9
2001	9,280	8,800	480	5.2	4.2
2002	9,435	8,950	485	5.2	5.2
2003	9,560	9,035	525	5.5	5.3
2004	9,705	9,185	520	5.3	5.2

AVERAGE UNEMPLOYMENT RATE Perry County vs. Indiana 1994-2004



Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Research & Analysis, Local Area Unemployment Statistics and U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

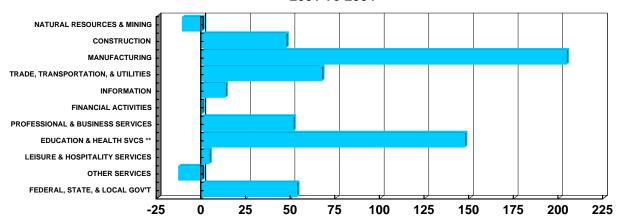
Reflects new modeling approach and re-estimation as of March 2005.

INDUSTRY EMPLOYMENT

PERRY COUNTY EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY 2001 to 2004

	2004					NUMERICAL	PERCENT
	NO. OF	AVER	AGE EN	MPLOY	MENT	CHANGE	CHANGE
INDUSTRY SECTORS (NAICS)*	FIRMS	2001	2002	2003	2004	2001-2004	2001-2004
TOTAL EMPLOYMENT **	388	5,786	5,988	6,135	6,305	519	9.0%
NATURAL RESOURCES & MINING	8	49	43	41	38	-11	-22.4%
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing, & Hunting Mining			Confide Confide				
CONSTRUCTION	47	237	245	251	284	47	19.8%
MANUFACTURING	23	1,610	1,670	1,747	1,814	204	12.7%
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, & UTILITIES	89	963	940	955	1,030	67	7.0%
Wholesale Trade	8	66	65	45	48	-18	-27.3%
Retail Trade	62	765	755	797	869	104	13.6%
Transportation & Warehousing	16	81	66	57	60	-21	-25.9%
Utilities	3	52	54	55	53	1	1.9%
INFORMATION	6	39	42	47	52	13	33.3%
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	36	205	199	197	205	0	0.0%
Finance & Insurance	26	174	166	167	173	-1	-0.6%
Real Estate, Rental & Leasing	10	30	33	30	31	1	3.3%
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	32	177	216	230	228	51	28.8%
Professional & Technical Services			Confide	ential			
Management of Companies & Enterprises			Confide	ential			
Administrative & Waste Services	10	75	115	128	125	50	66.7%
EDUCATION & HEALTH SERVICES **	37	1,009	1,157	1,164	1,156	147	14.6%
Educational Services **	3	488	499	490	492	4	0.8%
Health Care & Social Assistance **	34	521	658	674	664	143	27.4%
LEISURE & HOSPITALITY SERVICES	45	525	519	520	529	4	0.8%
Arts, Entertainment, & Recreation	5	41	41	35	25	-16	-39.0%
Accommodation & Food Services	40	483	478	484	504	21	4.3%
OTHER SERVICES	35	181	162	173	168	-13	-7.2%
FEDERAL, STATE, & LOCAL GOVERNMENT	36	1,493	1,516	1,545	1,546	53	3.5%

Change in Perry County Industry Employment 2001 To 2004



^{*} NAICS - North American Industry Classification System. ** Includes private and government employment in this industry Confidential = Data suppressed due to confidentiality restrictions.

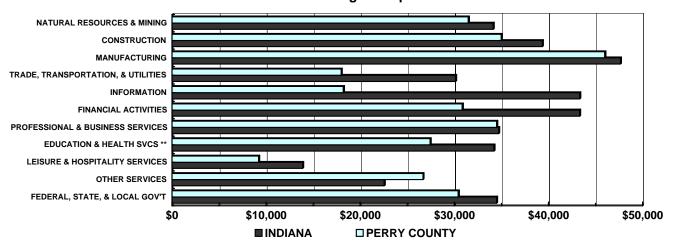
Notes: 1. Data may not add to total due to rounding, suppression of confidential numbers, inclusion of unclassified data, an duplication of government employment numbers. 2. Industries listed are "private industry" unless otherwise noted. Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Research & Analysis, Covered Employment

INDUSTRY EARNINGS

PERRY COUNTY AVERAGE ANNUAL EARNINGS BY INDUSTRY 2001 to 2004

								2004
			PERRY	COUNTY			INDIANA	PERRY
	2001	2002	2003	2004	CHANGE 2	001 to 2004	2004	% DIFFERENCE
INDUSTRY SECTORS (NAICS)*	WAGES	WAGES	WAGES	WAGES	DOLLARS	PERCENT	WAGES	FROM INDIANA
ALL INDUSTRIES **	\$27,125	\$27,866	\$29,307	\$30,763	\$3,638	13.4%	\$34,693	-12.8%
NATURAL RESOURCES & MINING	\$32,031	. ,	\$29,584	\$31,490	-\$541	-1.7%	\$34,117	
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing, & Hunting	40 2,001	Confident	. ,	401,100	40	/0	\$25,490	0.070
Mining		Confident	tial				\$49,836	
CONSTRUCTION	\$30,899	\$31,431		\$34,978	\$4,079	13.2%	\$39,343	
MANUFACTURING	\$38,827	\$41,060	\$42,063	\$45,983	\$7,156	18.4%	\$47,638	-3.6%
TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, & UTILITIES	\$18,667	\$18,674	\$18,076	\$17,983	-\$684	-3.7%	\$30,126	-67.5%
Wholesale Trade	\$28,905	\$29,670	\$27,618	\$26,393	-\$2,512	-8.7%	\$46,107	-74.7%
Retail Trade	\$15,845	\$15,661	\$15,248	\$15,437	-\$408	-2.6%	\$21,445	-38.9%
Transportation & Warehousing	\$27,413	\$28,043	\$31,128	\$28,971	\$1,558	5.7%	\$35,135	-21.3%
Utilities	\$33,577	\$36,064	\$37,451	\$39,677	\$6,100	18.2%	\$62,844	-58.4%
INFORMATION	\$24,376	\$20,568	\$18,853	\$18,212	-\$6,164	-25.3%	\$43,315	-137.8%
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	\$27,415	\$29,384	\$31,560	\$30,840	\$3,425	12.5%	\$43,304	-40.4%
Finance & Insurance	\$29,044	\$32,080	\$34,388	\$33,317	\$4,273	14.7%	\$48,404	-45.3%
Real Estate, Rental & Leasing	\$18,020	\$15,837	\$15,904	\$17,054	-\$966	-5.4%	\$28,852	-69.2%
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES	\$28,577	\$29,406	\$35,287	\$34,497	\$5,920	20.7%	\$34,701	-0.6%
Professional & Technical Services		Confident	tial				\$45,324	
Management of Companies & Enterprises		Confident	tial				\$66,811	
Administrative & Waste Services	\$23,251	\$22,781	\$24,632	\$24,164	\$913	3.9%	\$22,727	5.9%
EDUCATION & HEALTH SERVICES **	\$24,967	\$23,657	\$26,036	\$27,424	\$2,457	9.8%	\$34,206	-24.7%
Educational Services **	\$27,397	\$27,688	\$30,032	\$30,339	\$2,942	10.7%	\$33,107	-9.1%
Health Care & Social Assistance **	\$22,695	\$20,597	\$23,129	\$25,261	\$2,566	11.3%	\$34,965	-38.4%
LEISURE & HOSPITALITY SERVICES	\$8,027	\$8,647	\$9,046	\$9,204	\$1,177	14.7%	\$13,875	-50.7%
Arts, Entertainment, & Recreation	\$6,502	\$7,191	\$7,467	\$9,844	\$3,342	51.4%	\$25,802	-162.1%
Accommodation & Food Services	\$8,157	\$8,773	\$9,160	\$9,173	\$1,016	12.5%	\$11,574	-26.2%
OTHER SERVICES	\$22,579	\$22,880	\$25,421	\$26,666	\$4,087	18.1%	\$22,543	15.5%
FEDERAL, STATE, & LOCAL GOVERNMENT	\$27,602	\$28,093	\$30,071	\$30,417	\$2,815	10.2%	\$34,484	-13.4%

Perry County and State of Indiana 2004 Earnings Comparison



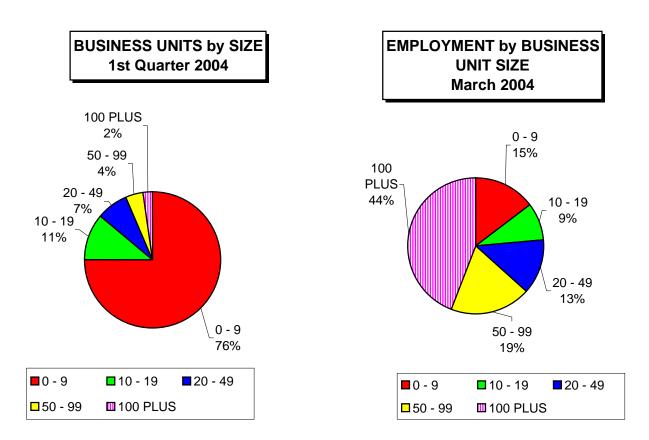
Notes: 1. Industries listed are "private industry" unless otherwise noted. 2. Wage data are annual averages.

Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Research & Analysis, Covered Employment

PERRY COUNTY FIRMS and EMPLOYMENT by SIZE

UNIT SIZE (Number Employed)	NUMBER of BUSINESS UNITS 1ST QUARTER 2004	EMPLOYMENT by REPORTING UNIT SIZE MARCH 2004
0 - 9	292	941
10 - 19	43	571
20 - 49	29	837
50 - 99	16	1,230
100 PLUS	9	2,826
TOTAL	389	6,405

Business Units with zero employees and Federal Government Employees are included.



Source: Covered Employment, Research & Analysis, Indiana Department of Workforce Development



NORTH AMERICAN INDUSTRY CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM **TECHNICAL NOTES**

For over sixty years, industry information has been compiled using the Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) system. Since 1993, the industry data tables in this publication were classified by SIC.

Beginning with the 2002 issue of the Highlights report, new industry data tables are based upon the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS).

Developed jointly by the United States, Canada and Mexico to produce comparable data, NAICS was introduced in 1997 to replace the SIC system. Because of its' scope and complexity, the transition to NAICS has taken three years to complete and is now effective beginning with 2001.

NAICS provides a more specific classification system reflecting the economy's changing industrial composition. NAICS focuses on how products and services are created, as opposed to the SIC focus on what is produced.

This reorganization has created breaks in the industrial classification time series. Even though, for example, the Manufacturing industry group is still listed, the current statistical data for Manufacturing may not be comparable to what was previously shown.

Example: An industrial machine company has its employment offices in a separate building. Those workers may now be listed in the Professional and Business Services industry under NAICS, rather than in Manufacturing. The same is possible for other industries.

NAICS uses a six digit hierarchical coding system to classify all economic activity. NAICS-United States allows for the identification of 1,170 industries compared to the 1,004 found in the SIC system. NAICS classifications are reviewed every three years. For purposes of this publication, we will be classifying economic activities into 11 NAICS 'super sectors' and 15 NAICS sectors.

The following is a listing of the NAICS 'super sectors' we will be using:

Natural Resources & Mining includes agriculture, forestry, fishing, hunting, and mining.

Construction

Manufacturing

Trade, Transportation & Utilities includes wholesale and retail trade, utilities, transportation, and warehousing. Information includes publishing, motion pictures, sound recording, broadcasting, Internet publishing, telecommunications, Internet service providers,

search portals, data processing, news syndicates, libraries, and archives. Financial Activities includes finance, insurance, real estate, and rental and leasing.

Professional & Business Services includes professional, scientific, and technical services, management of companies and enterprises, administrative/support, and waste management and remediation services.

Education & Health Services includes educational and health services, health care, and social assistance.

Leisure & Hospitality includes arts, entertainment, recreation, accommodation, and food services.

Other Services includes repair, maintenance, personal, laundry services and religious, grantmaking, civic, social, and professional organizations and private households.

Federal, State & Local Government includes total government employment.

Note: For more information on the North American Industry Classification System, you may refer to the U.S. Census Bureau page on NAICS at http://www.census.gov/epcd/www/naics.html

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